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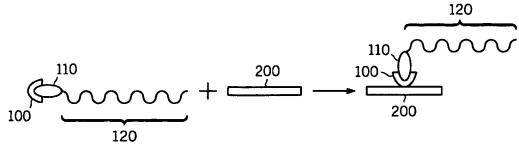
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2004/050967 A1 (57) Abstract: An exemplary method for substantially non-covalent linkage of nanomorphic carbon species (200) to a nucleic acid such as DNA (120) comprises inter alia the steps of providing a strand of nucleic acid (120), functionalizing the nucleic acid strand (120) with a first biomolecule (110), reacting the functionalized nucleic acid (110, 120) with a second biomolecule (100) and coupling a nanomorphic carbon species (200) to the nucleic acid complex (100, 110, 120). Disclosed features and specifications may be variously adapted or otherwise optionally modified to control or otherwise improve the deposition and/or orientation of nanomorphic carbon molecules with respect to any surface or substrate. An exemplary embodiment of the present invention representatively provides for non-covalent linkage of carbon nanotubes to DNA via a biotin-streptavidin complex.